

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)
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v.) No. 2:21-CR-00027-1-JRG-CRW
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SEAN CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS)

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Third: the defendant knowingly and voluntarily left custody without permission.

The United States now moves the Court to instruct the jury that a charge under 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1) and a charge under 18 U.S.C. § 2251(a) and (e)—the charges on which the federal grand jury indicted Mr. Williams and on which law-enforcement officials arrested and placed him in federal custody—are felony offenses under federal law. According to the United States, Mr. Williams refuses to stipulate that these charges are felony offenses.

As a matter of law, offenses under § 922(g)(1) and § 2251(a) and (e) are felony offenses, *see* 18 U.S.C. § 3156(a)(3) (“[T]he term ‘felony’ means an offense punishable by a maximum term of imprisonment of more than one year[.]”), and the Court will therefore instruct the jury that they are felony offenses, *see United States v. Dedman*, 527 F.3d 577, 588 (6th Cir. 2008) (recognizing that judicial notice is “improper . . . when there is a conclusion of law” because it “might erroneously lead a juror to disregard an important legal determination by the district court”). The United States’s motion [Doc. 132] is **GRANTED**.

So ordered.

ENTER:

s/J. RONNIE GREER
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE